



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 12, 1997

H.R. 708

A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study concerning grazing use and open space within and adjacent to Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming, and to extend temporarily certain grazing privileges

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on September 10, 1997

CBO estimates that enacting this bill would not have a significant impact on the federal budget. Because H.R. 708 would affect direct spending and offsetting receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would apply; however, CBO estimates that such effects would net to zero. H.R. 708 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

H.R. 708 would require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of grazing use and open space of certain land within and adjacent to Grand Teton National Park. The bill would require that the report be completed within three years from the date that funding is made available. Based on information from the National Park Service (NPS), CBO estimates the cost to conduct the study would total about \$200,000, assuming appropriation of the estimated amounts.

The bill also would require the Secretary to reinstate and extend for at least three and one-half years certain grazing permits managed by NPS within Grand Teton National Park. Under current law, NPS can spend those receipts without appropriation action. We estimate that federal receipts from such grazing permits would total less than \$10,000 per year, and that the net effect on direct spending would be zero.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Victoria V. Heid. This estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.